GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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TRAIN SERVICE AT THE WESTERN GHATS
Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have resumed train service along the Western Ghats;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the revenue likely to be earned for the next three years; and

(c) if not, the time by which the train service is likely to be resumed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI R. VELU)

(a): No, Sir. The train Metre Gauge services between Punalur and Kollam situated in the Western Ghats have been closed for gauge conversion. The Metre Gauge line between Punalur to Sengottai is available and 4 pairs of Metre Gauge services are being run.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): The train services will be restored after conversion and commissioning of the Sengottai- Kollam to Broad Gauge.